

## MHGB COMMUNICATION

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	Agenda Item:	<b>MHGB6</b>	Roll Call:	<b>22-0383</b>
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### AGENDA HEADING:

Approving City of Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) submittal of the Radon Testing and Mitigation Demonstration for Public Housing grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

### SYNOPSIS:

Recommend Municipal Housing Governing Board approval for submission of the Radon Testing and Mitigation Demonstration for Public Housing grant to HUD and authorization for the Mayor or Housing Executive Director to execute and implement the grant, if awarded.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$151,060 (revenue)

Funding Source: HUD Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Program Office.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Radon is an odorless, colorless radioactive gas that can move through soil and enter buildings through small openings in the foundation or basement. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), approximately one (1) out of every 15 homes in the U.S. has elevated levels of radon. According to the EPA Map of Radon Zones, Polk County is located in “Zone 1” which indicates the highest predicted average of indoor radon.
- Funding from this grant would be utilized to test for radon and install radon mitigation devices between July 1, 2022 and January 28, 2023 at 34 single-unit dwellings and Royal View Manor, a multi-unit apartment building, operated by DMMHA. This grant is restricted to housing where children are allowed to reside.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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